

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light)	File No. ER-2016-0285
Company's Request for Authority to)	Tariff No. YE-2017-0004,
Implement A General Rate Increase for)	Tariff No. YE-2017-0005
Electric Service)	

ORDER DIRECTING SUBMITTAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE EFFICIENCY TARIFF

Issue Date: August 8, 2016

Effective Date: August 8, 2016

On August 24, 2015, the Commission opened a working docket, EW-2016-0041, to consider mechanisms to promote efficient use of existing electric system infrastructure, which was completed and closed on June 8, 2016. Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L) filed comments¹ in that docket noting that, as part of its annual contingency planning, it can identify physical assets that are under-utilized. KCP&L submitted a list of transformers/circuits where at least 50% of rated capacity is available under both normal and contingency scenarios.

In light of this, the Commission will direct its Staff to design and file as part of its Direct Testimony a proposed tariff that would provide for a discounted volumetric rate or customer charge, or a waiver or reduction of line extension related charges, or some other mechanism to reduce bills of customers accessing infrastructure identified as under-utilized. Any discount provided by the tariff shall be related, at least in part, to a difference in the cost to serve customers who utilize existing infrastructure versus customers requiring infrastructure expansion.

¹ Response of Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company to Staff Questions, December 8, 2015.

KCP&L shall, and other parties may, respond to Staff's filing by analyzing and commenting on the proposed tariff and suggesting what changes it feels may be appropriate.

It is not the Commission's intent that Staff or any other party diverts significant resources away from preparing other testimony in this case in order to provide the above requested information. Accordingly, the Commission will consider suggestions for modification of this Order should any party believe it necessary to do so.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Staff shall file as part of its Direct Testimony a proposed tariff, as described in the body of this Order.
2. KCP&L shall, and any other party may, respond to Staff's filing in subsequent testimony.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 8th day of August, 2016.